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REMARKS

Claims 1-14 and 16-34 are currently pending with claims 1, 16, 18, 20, 21, 27, 30 and 33 being independent. Each of claims 1, 16, 18, 21, 27 and 30 has been amended herein to recite that a thickness of a first gate insulating film of a thin film transistor that is required to drive a circuit at 0.1 GHz or higher is 500 Å or thinner, and a thickness of a second gate insulating film of another thin film transistor that is driven by an operation voltage of 10V or greater is 1000 Å, as recited in allowed claims 20 and 33. These amendments are not believed to raise new issues or to require further search or consideration.

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the Examiner's allowance of claims 20, 25, 33 and 34. In view of this allowance, applicant has amended the other independent claims to include the feature that applicant believes was the basis of the allowance of those claims.

Claims 1-14 and 22 have been rejected as being unpatentable over Isashi (U.S. Patent No. 5,719,799) in view of Sasaki (U.S. Patent No. 5,818,068) and Funai (U.S. Patent No. 5,550,070); claims 16, 17, 23 and 27-29 have been rejected as being unpatentable over Isashi in view of Hush (U.S. Patent No. 5,638,085) and Assaderaghi (U.S. Patent No. 5,811,857); and claims 18, 19, 21, 24, 26 and 30-32 have been rejected as being unpatentable over Isashi in view of Hush and Sasaki. Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of these rejections in view of the amendments to the independent claims. In particular, the rejections should be withdrawn because the cited references, either alone or in combination, do not describe or suggest that a thickness of a first gate insulating film of a thin film transistor that is required to drive a circuit at 0.1 GHz or higher is 500 Å or thinner, and a thickness of a second gate insulating film of another thin film transistor that is driven by an operation voltage of 10V or greater is 1000 Å, as now recited in each of the independent claims.

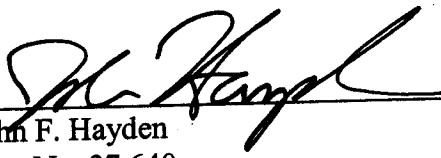
Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance.

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